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FM AMEMBASSY LIMA

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SUBJECT: POST RELATIONSHIPS WITH AMERICAN CHAMBER OF  
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1. EMBASSY RELATIONS WITH AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF PERU ARE EXCELLENT. EMBASSY COMMERCIAL ATTACHE ATTENDS EVERY MEETING OF AMCHAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AMBASSADOR MEETS REGULARLY ONCE A MONTH WITH AMCHAM MEMBERS TO DISCUSS CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY AFFECT ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATION, AND IN ADDITION ATTENDS AMCHAM MONTHLY LUNCHEONS AND SOCIAL EVENTS. EMBASSY DOES NOT PREPARE A COUNTRY COMMERCIAL PROGRAM (CCP) BUT IN ITS COMMERCIAL ACTION PROGRAM (CAP) IT HAS CONSULTED WITH CHAMBER MEMBERS CONCERNING MAJOR ACTIONS UNDER THE CAP SUCH AS COMMERCIAL PRESENCE FAIR, ETC. EMBASSY AND PARTICULARLY USIS, IS ALSO CLOSELY COOPERATING WITH AMCHAM IN SUPPLYING MATERIAL FOR BICENTENNIAL GUIDE TO BE PUBLISHED BY AMCHAM.

2. COMMERCIAL SECTION REFERS MANY COMMERCIAL INQUIRIES TO AMCHAM. THERE IS NO FORMAL AGREEMENT ON DIVISION OF LABOR BUT BASED ON CLOSED CONTACTS THERE HAS DEVELOPED A DE FACTO SYSTEM WHEREBY COMMERCIAL SECTION REFERS CERTAIN TYPES OF INQUIRIES TO CMCHAM, AND AMCHAM IN TURN REFERS TO EMBASSY SOME OF THE INQUIRIES IT RECEIVES.

3. OVERALL RELATIONS ARE EXCELLENT. EMBASSY DEFERS TO WISHES OF LOCAL AMCHAM CONCERNING ASSISTANCE IT BELIEVES WOULD BE SUTIALBE. AMCHAM OF PERU GENERALLY ASSUMES LOW POSTURE AND HAS NO PARTICULAR

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WISH TO BE IDENTIFIED WITH EMBASSY ON ALL MATTERS. WE RESPECT

THIS DESIRE AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS WISE POLICY.

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